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POLICE INVESTIGATE MURDER IN KENSINGTON

San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives are investigating the shooting death of a male on a Kensington street last night.

At 8:25 p.m., officers were dispatched to a report of a shooting on El Cajon Boulevard at northbound Interstate 15. They arrived to find the victim down on the sidewalk at a bus stop. Paramedics attempted lifesaving measures, but the victim died at the scene at 8:41 p.m.

The preliminary investigation has revealed that the victim and a female companion were standing on the north sidewalk of El Cajon Boulevard when a black Dodge Charger or Magnum slowed. The driver stared at the couple before driving off. At 8:25 p.m., the same driver approached the couple on foot (from the east) and exchanged words with the victim. The suspect pulled out a handgun and shot the victim. The suspect fled to the black vehicle, which was parked on Central Avenue just north of El Cajon Boulevard. The suspect was last seen east on Meade Avenue.

The suspect is described as a black male, 21, 5'8", short afro, wearing a black sweatshirt and blue shorts. The victim, 21, has been tentatively identified, but his name is being withheld pending family notification.

Anyone with information about this incident is encouraged to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-TIPS.